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1. Location:

The new bridge belongs to the Rustavi (45°ol'E/41°34'N), Georgian Str., - Tiflis road which joins the large tarred mountain road Tiflis - Yerevan about 600 to 800 feet west of the bridge.

Type of construction:

The bridge has been under construction since 1945. Half of the readway was completed and ready for traffic in august 1949.

a. The 100-meter bridge is supported by four concrete piers with concrete abutments to protect the bridge from drift-ice damage. The piers are shout 27 meters apart and the bridge clearance is 5.4 meters. The sections between the piers are iron structures. The bridge capacity is at least 60 tons. The total width of the readway is 22, meters, of which only 10.6 meters are completed. Thecenter of the roadway is marked. The approaches and the completed half of the roadway are tarred. For location and top and side view of the bridge see annex 1 and 2.

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Comment:

a. The location and construction of the bridge wars also re-25X1A corded by reports on the Austavi steel .lant.

the eastern bridge ellegedly a relirond bridge and the a road bridge. According to this report and other information, there is but one bridge with two roadways.

c. Some sources mentioned the laying of streetcar tracks on the bridge but those word presumbly mistaken for T-girders. The observation of T-pirder, my have led to the conclusion that

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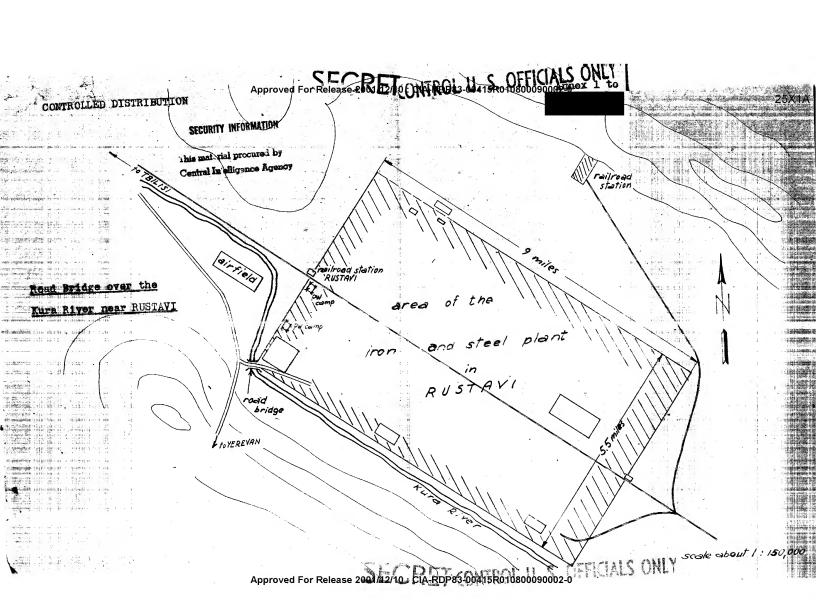
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the bridge under construction was a railroad bridge. als statements are doubted. out that one roadway of the bridge was completed by August 1949 which makes the previous information that the two bridges were opened for traffic in Arch 1947 oven more questionable.

1 annex: 2 Elueprints: Road Eridge over the Kura River near hustavi.



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